Message

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Sent: 3/24/2020 8:52:39 PM

To: Mindrup, Mary [Mindrup.Mary@epa.gov]; Harden, Samantha [harden.samantha@epa.gov]

CC: Eichholz, Todd [todd.eichholz@dnr.mo.gov]

Subject: FW: KDHE COVID-19 Alternate RTCR monitoring policy

Mary, thanks for forwarding this information. We have also sent out a more simplified message to systems via our Op Cert distribution list. This message has also been forwarded by MRWA through their network.

For many public water systems, current approved sample siting plans likely include locations that are high traffic areas, with public access, where there may be a larger number of people. During this time of concern, the Department of Natural Resources will allow systems to use alternative sampling locations (even if not listed on sample siting plan) from low traffic sites, outside spigots or sampling stations as long as sampling is representative of the distribution system.

For larger water systems, this may mean reducing the number of sampling sites used, but increasing the number of days samples are collected at these fewer sites. The sample sites should still represent the entire distribution system but avoid high traffic areas where maintaining social distancing is difficult.

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We'd like your feedback on the service you received from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Please consider taking a few minutes to complete the department's Customer Satisfaction Survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MoDNRsurvey. Thank you.

From: Mindrup, Mary < Mindrup, Mary@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 11:55 AM
To: Lamb, David david.lamb@dnr.mo.gov

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Subject: FW: KDHE COVID-19 Alternate RTCR monitoring policy

Hi David,

I hope this email finds you well. I am forwarding you this additional email of the communication KDHE sent to their operators. This might be useful to you.

Thanks,

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From: Cathy Tucker-Vogel [KDHE] < Cathy. Tucker-Vogel@ks.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 11:35 AM
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Subject: FW: KDHE COVID-19 Alternate RTCR monitoring policy

Mary,

Rob sent the email below to PWS systems yesterday.

Regards,

Cathy

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From: Rob Gavin [KDHE]

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 11:32 AM

Subject: KDHE COVID-19 Alternate RTCR monitoring policy

To All Kansas Public Water Supply Systems:

The attached guidance document is being sent to all email addresses which KDHE has on file for public water supply system Administrative Contacts and Water Operator Contacts in our data system. If you are listed as AC and Operator more than once you may receive multiple copies. Please share with those in your organization or others systems that you know of that do not have email. We will also be emailing this document to trade organizations and service providers so they may disseminate it also. It will also be posted on the KDHE COVID-19 Resource Center Webpage: https://govstatus.egov.com/coronavirus

The purpose of this document is to address sampling alternatives that a public water supply system (PWS) might use if normal monitoring activity is disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic. Some safety guidelines are outlined and additional web resources provided for water personnel. This Policy applies only to COVID-19 pandemic related disruptions.

All public water supply systems should continue routine drinking water monitoring according to their regular schedules if possible.

Any PWS must contact us by email or the phone numbers listed below if your system will be unable to obtain your required coliform tests even with the alternate locations available due to sickness or sites being unavailable as a boil water advisory may need to be issued for unknown water quality.

Many KDHE Public Water Supply Section Staff will be working during this pandemic to assure public water supply quality is maintained.

Please stay safe and let us know if you have any questions. If line is busy or no answer, leave a message someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

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